

Memorandum

To: Commissioners Fedorchak, Christmann and Kroshus

From: Victor Schock, Public Utility Analyst

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Date: January 14, 2019

Re: Response to Northern State Power Company's Compliance Filing – Customer Credits from DOE Nuclear Fuel Settlement and Earnings Sharing Case Nos. PU-16-19 and PU-18-200

On December 8, 2017, Northern States Power Company (NSP) filed with the Commission a petition to refund \$788,140 received by NSP pursuant to a settlement with the United States regarding the Department of Energy's partial breach of contract to take spent nuclear fuel.

On January 10, 2018, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until February 16, 2018 for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response was received.

On June 7, 2018, in Case No. PU-18-200, NSP filed a petition that included a request for approval to issue a one-time bill credit regarding excess 2017 earnings of \$2,983,461, in compliance with the Commission's decision in an earlier rate case. Case No. PU-12-813.

On July 9, 2018, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until August 20, 2018 for receiving written comments and hearing requests. No response was received.

On November 8, 2018, the Commission issued an order approving the Company's petition to refund \$788,140 in case PU-16-19 and \$2,983,461 in case PU-18-200 within 90 days of the order and requiring the Company to file a compliance report within 30 days of the completion of the refund providing a summary of the settlement payment, interest credited, class allocations and the actual average customer credit per customer class.

NSP provided the compliance report on January 11, 2019.

Staff has reviewed NSP's compliance report and believes that the report satisfies the Commission's Order.

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